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Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony.

My name is Mike Holmes, Shop Chairman at Colt Defense, and Colt Manufacturing UAW Local 376 in West Hartford, CT.

I would like to express my absolute outrage at proposed bill # SB353 for several reasons.

This bill would not only have a profound negative impact on the law abiding gun owners in our state, but it would also hurt the people that manufacture and service these guns for a living, meaning loss of jobs.

The proposed micro-stamping technology would jeopardize the employment of all the hard working union members that I represent at Colt. The effects would in turn be far reaching by also hurting our vendors and suppliers around the state and placing their jobs at risk also.

This technology would serve absolutely no purpose as a crime deterrent. Guns are assembled and disassembled every day to replace parts and components. Criminals could very easily defeat this technology by simply replacing the firing pin mechanism.

I strongly oppose this bill and respectfully ask you to take into consideration the devastating impact it would have on the job market in this state and the effect it would have on our already troubled economic situation.

Thank you

*Mike Holmes*